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Academic Employment

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science and Jack J. Valenti School of Communication,
University of Houston, 2019–

Assistant Professor, Jepson School of Leadership Studies, University of Richmond, 2017-2019

Education

Ph.D., Political Science, Vanderbilt University, 2017
Fields: American Politics, Political Methodology

M.A., Political Science, Vanderbilt University, 2015

B.A., Political Science and Journalism, Emory University, 2009
Summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa

Publications

* indicates graduate student co-author

Peterson, Erik, Allison M. N. Archer, Kishan Bhakta,* and Sho Izumisawa.* “[Indirect Influence: How Elite Attacks on Information Providers Affect Public Opinion Formation.](#)” *Conditionally accepted, Journal of Politics.*

Archer, Allison M. N. and Erik Peterson. 2025. “[The Fragility of the Local News Trust Advantage: Evidence from Republican Attacks on Local News.](#)” *PS: Political Science & Politics* 58(2): 177-183.

Archer, Allison M. N., Carolyn Schmitt,* Shannon C. McGregor, and Heesoo Jang.* 2025. “[Presidential Authority and the Legitimation of Far-Right News.](#)” *The International Journal of Press/Politics* 30(1): 14-37.

Archer, Allison M. N. 2023. “[The Effects of Elite Attacks on Copartisan Media: Evidence from Trump and Fox News.](#)” *Public Opinion Quarterly* 87(4): 887-910.

Archer, Allison M. N. and Cindy D. Kam. 2022. “[She Is the Chair\(man\): Gender, Language, and Leadership.](#)” *The Leadership Quarterly* 33(6): 1-10.

Archer, Allison M. N. and Scott Clifford. 2022. “[Improving the Measurement of Hostile Sexism.](#)” *Public Opinion Quarterly* 86(2): 223-246.

Archer, Allison M. N. and Joshua P. Darr. 2022. "Gubernatorial Elections Change Demand for Local Newspapers." *American Politics Research* 50(1): 52-66.

Kam, Cindy D. and Allison M. N. Archer. 2021. "Mobilizing and Demobilizing: Modern Sexism and Turnout in the #MeToo Era." *Public Opinion Quarterly* 85(1): 172-182.

Archer, Allison M. N. and Cindy D. Kam. 2020. "Modern Sexism in Modern Times: Public Opinion in the #MeToo Era." *Public Opinion Quarterly* 84(4): 813-837.

Archer, Allison M. N. 2020. "Attacking the Fourth Estate: The Nature and Effects of Political Leaders' War with the Press." In *Leadership, Populism, and Resistance*, edited by Kristin M.S. Bezio and George R. Goethals, 129-147. Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar.

Archer, Allison M. N. 2018. "Political Advantage, Disadvantage, and the Demand for Partisan News." *Journal of Politics* 80(3): 845-859.

Archer, Allison M. N. and Joshua D. Clinton. 2018. "Changing Owners, Changing Content: Does Who Owns the News Matter for the News?" *Political Communication* 35(3): 353-370.

Kam, Cindy D., Allison M. N. Archer, and John G. Geer. 2017. "Courting the Women's Vote: The Emotional, Cognitive, and Persuasive Effects of Gender-Based Appeals in Campaign Advertisements." *Political Behavior* 39(1): 51-75.

Working Papers & Works in Progress

Archer, Allison M. N. and Tanika Raychaudhuri. "From Marginalization to Mobilization: AAPI Political History and Engagement." *Revise & resubmit, American Journal of Political Science*.

Kam, Cindy D., Allison M. N. Archer, and Colette Marcellin.* "Fragile Consensus: Public Opinion on Workplace Sexual Harassment Training." *Under review*.

Archer, Allison M. N. and Michelle Torres. "Are Billionaires Benevolent Local News Owners? Evidence from the *LA Times* and *San Diego Union-Tribune*."

Archer, Allison M. N. *Elite Rhetoric and the Polarization of Individuals' News Consumption*.

Heinrich, Tobias, Allison M. N. Archer, and Christopher Witko. "Engineering Backlash? Information Engagement and Attitudes Toward Artificial Intelligence."

Jung, Jae-Hee and Allison M. N. Archer. "Traditional Gender Norms in Western Democracies."

Policy Briefs

Archer, Allison M. N. 2013. "Adjudicating the Commerce Clause: How Price Effects Can Help to Evaluate State 'Wine Wars.'" CSDI Policy Brief 2013-07. Vanderbilt University.

Archer, Allison M. N. 2013. "Can the Media Influence the Voting Behavior of Legislators?" CSDI Policy Brief 2013-03. Vanderbilt University.

Awards, Honors, and Grants

CLASS Research Excellence Professorship, University of Houston, 2026-2029

Provost's Faculty Travel Grant, University of Houston, 2025

Junior Faculty Nominee for University of Houston, Andrew Carnegie Fellows Program, 2025

Race and Anti-Racism Research Initiative Grant (with Tanika Raychaudhuri), Rice University, 2024

Division of Research New Faculty Research Award, University of Houston, 2020

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, 2013-2017

Department of Political Science Competitive Summer Training Award, Vanderbilt University

Data Matters: Short Course Series on Text Analysis, 2016

Northwestern University Causal Inference Workshop, 2013

Stanford University Summer Institute of Political Psychology, 2012

Department of Political Science Travel Grant, Vanderbilt University, 2016

Graduate School Travel Grant, Vanderbilt University, 2014 & 2015

Research on Individuals, Politics, and Society Lab Small Grant for Experimental Research, 2014

Research on Individuals, Politics, and Society Lab Grant for Summer Training, 2012 & 2013

100 Senior Honorary, Emory University, 2009

Dean's Achievement Scholar, Emory University Scholars Program, 2006-2009

Invited Presentations & Invited Small Conferences

Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior (EPOVB) Conference, Washington University in St. Louis, 2026 (scheduled)

Political Communication Working Group, University of Michigan, 2025

Mobilizing Low Propensity Voters Mini Conference, University of Houston, 2024

Visions in Methodology Conference, Washington University in St. Louis, 2024

Assistant Professor Excellence Speaker Series (APeX), University of Houston, 2022

Research on Individuals, Politics, and Society Lab, Vanderbilt University, 2020

Texas American Politics Symposium, Rice University, 2019

Research on Individuals, Politics, and Society Lab, Vanderbilt University, 2018

Department of Political Science, University of Mary Washington, 2018

New Research on Gender & Political Psychology Conference, Tulane University, 2017

Other Conference Presentations

Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association: 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2019, 2018, 2015

Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association: 2025

Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association: 2024, 2023, 2022, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014

Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association: 2019

Teaching

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

COMM 3376: Media Effects (SP26, F25, SP25, F24, SP24, SP23, F22, F21, F20)

COMM 4372: Media, Power, and Society (SP21, SP20)

COMM 6398: Special Problems courses for MA students (SP23, F22)

POLS 3360: Politics and Mass Media (SP26, F25, SP24, SP23, F22, SP21, F20, SP20)

POLS 4398: Independent Study (SU24)

POLS 6350: PhD Seminar in Media and Politics (F24, F21, F19)

UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND

LDST 102: Leadership & the Social Sciences (SP19, F18, SP18, F17: 2 sections each term)

LDST 390 Special Topic: Media and Politics (SP19)

OTHER

Guest instructor, "The 2024 Elections & the Future of Democracy," Glasscock School, Rice University
Attendee, 2018 Associated Colleges of the South Inclusive Pedagogy Workshop

Advising

UNDERGRADUATE

Provost's Undergraduate Research Scholarship (PURS) Faculty Advisor: Kathryn Lenihan (UH), 2020

Honors Thesis Advisor: Benedict Roemer (UR), 2019

Honors Thesis Committee: Karla Grado (UH), 2021
Ashley E. Gross (UR), 2019

GRADUATE (UH)

- PhD Committee Co-Chair: Lucas Lothamer (POLS), 2025
- PhD Committee Member: Sebastian Ege (POLS), in progress
Lucia Lopez (POLS), in progress
Silky Joshi Malik (POLS), in progress
Robert Alvarez (POLS), 2025
Jamie Wright (POLS), 2023
- MA Thesis Committee Member: Conner Clifton (COMM), in progress
Robert Watson (COMM), in progress
Dylan Stracener (COMM), 2024
Aymen Khalaf (COMM), 2023
Dustin Roberts (COMM), 2022
Isaiah Johnson (POLS), 2021
- Qualifying Paper Committee: Sebastian Ege (POLS), 2024
Jamie Wright (POLS), 2020
- Comprehensive Exam Committee: Miranda Ashworth (POLS), 2024
EunHye Grace Cho (POLS), 2024
Billy Justus (POLS), 2024
Lucia Lopez (POLS), 2024
Silky Joshi Malik (POLS), 2024
Kyle Martin (POLS), 2024
Jamie Wright (POLS), 2021
Paul Johnson (POLS), 2020
- Graduate Faculty Advisor: Li Ning (POLS), 2025–
EunHye Grace Cho (POLS), 2021-2023

Professional Service

DISCIPLINE

- Co-chair, 2025 Information & Messages in Sociopolitical Life Mini Conference, University of Houston
- Division chair, Public Opinion, 2026 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association
- Division chair, Media & Political Communication, 2023 Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association
- Member, 2026 Timothy E. Cook Best Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, Political Communication Section of the American Political Science Association
- Panel chair, 2024 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association
- Panel chair, 2024 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association
- Panel chair, 2022 Southern Workshop in Empirical Political Science (Rice University)
- Discussant, 2025 EGEN Austin, University of Texas
- Discussant, 2025 Texas American Behavior Conference, Texas A&M
- Discussant, 2025 & 2024 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association
- Discussant, 2024 Visions in Methodology Conference (WashU)

Discussant, 2024, 2023, 2022 & 2018 Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association
Discussant, 2020 Gender and Political Communication Workshop (LSU)
Discussant, 2019 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association

Reviewer: *American Journal of Political Science*; *American Political Science Review*; *American Politics Research*; *Annals of the International Communication Association*; *British Journal of Political Science*; *Cogent Social Sciences*; *Contention*; *Criminology, Criminal Justice, Law & Society*; *De Gruyter*; *Digital Journalism*; *The International Journal of Press/Politics*; *International Political Science Review*; *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties*; *The Journal of Politics*; *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics*; *Journalism Studies*; *National Science Foundation*; *Perspectives on Politics*; *Political Behavior*; *Political Communication*; *Political Psychology*; *Political Research Quarterly*; *Politics & Gender*; *Politics, Groups, and Identities*; *Public Opinion Quarterly*; *Scandinavian Political Studies*; *Science Advances*; *Social Media + Society*; *Social Science Quarterly*; *Social Sciences & Humanities Open*; *Sociological Focus*; W. W. Norton; AEJMC 2020 Conference submissions

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

Director, Summer Workshop for Applying to Graduate School, Department of Political Science, 2025-2026
Chair, Access and Empowerment Committee, Valenti School, 2023-2024
Member, American Politics Search Committee (x2), Department of Political Science, 2024-2025
Member, Ad Hoc Committee for American & Policy Hiring, Department of Political Science, 2024
Member, Access and Empowerment Committee, Valenti School, 2024-present
Member, Technology Committee, Department of Political Science, 2019-2020 & 2022-2024
Member, Summer Graduate Fellowship for Research Excellence and Diversity Committee, CLASS, 2023
Member, Anti-Racism and Anti-Discrimination Committee, Valenti School, 2021-2023
Member, Outreach Committee, Department of Political Science, 2021-2022
Member, Graduate Committee, Department of Political Science, 2020-2021
Panelist, Valenti School MA Program Orientation, Summer 2020 & Summer 2021
Moderator, Fireside Chat with Dalila Wilson-Scott, Chief Diversity Officer of Comcast & 2021 Impact Award Recipient, Valenti Impact Awards
Reviewer, 2020 Valenti School @frica: Digital Media Conference submissions

UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND

Co-organizer, 2018-2019 Jepson Leadership Forum: "Does Democracy Work?"
Member, Faculty and Staff Development Subcommittee of the President's Advisory Committee for Making Excellence Inclusive, 2018-2019
Member, Academic Affairs Committee, Jepson School of Leadership Studies, 2017-2019
Member, Student Development Committee (university committee), 2018-2019
Member, COACHE Faculty Survey Working Group (ad hoc provost committee), 2018-2019
Member, Student Affairs Committee, Jepson School of Leadership Studies, 2018
Academic advisor to Jepson School of Leadership Studies undergraduates, 2018-2019
Faculty participant in Spider Firsts programming for first-generation students at UR, 2018

Non-Academic Employment

Media Coordinator, Cable News Network (CNN), 2010-2011

Video Journalist, Cable News Network (CNN), 2009-2010

Skills

Stata, R, L^AT_EX, Qualtrics, Inquisit, Dynamic Process Tracing Environment (DPTE)

References available upon request.

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